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Andrea,

Thanks very much.

While I have shuffled my schedule for the other two earlier hearing dates, I can't make it work on Thursday. There is an out-of-state commitment and I will be traveling.

The Vermont Press Association does have serious concerns about this proposed legislation. A very limited amount of time has been spent on some of the key points that will cause major problems with enforcement if approved as now drafted.

We have police agencies currently that are withholding public records/information in violation of the Vermont law and nobody will do anything about it. We appreciate House Government Operations taking a serious look and seeking testimony from those impacted.

We hope there will be time in the future for testimony, or better yet, take time during the summer to get the legislation correct.

Thank you for taking time on this bill.

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